Statement

List of cities where project for Hepatitis B vaccine will be Implemented in 2002-2003

S.No.	Name
1.	Greater Mumbai
2.	Kolkata
3.	Chennai
4.	Delhi
5.	Hyderabad
6.	Bangalore
7.	Ahmedabad
8.	Kanpur
9.	Pune
10.	Lucknow
11.	Vadodara
12.	Jaipur
13.	Indore
14.	Patna
15.	Bhopal

Measures to tackle diarrhoea during peak period

1262. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the measures Government propose to tackle the problem of diarrhoea during the peak period from May-August, 2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): The Government of India is implementing the National Surveillance Programme for Communicable Diseases (NSPCD) since 1997-98 in selected districts in the country. The objectives of the programme are generating early warning signals of outbreaks due to epidemic-prone communicable diseases including diarrhoea and other water-borne diseases and rapid response thereto,

through capacity building, laboratory strengthening etc. so far 101 districts in all the 35 States/Union Territories have been covered under the programme. Under Reproductive and Child Health Programme, dehydration due to diarrhoea is tackled by Oral dehydration therapy. Health workers and Medical Officers are trained and Oral Rehydration Salt packets are distributed to sub-centres each year to meet the problem of diarrhoea at any stage.

Survey regarding Aids-affected People

†1263. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to sate:

(a) the details of surveys made, so far to find out the AIDS-affected people in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of AIDS-affected people is increasing every year;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts made, so far, to prevent this dangerous disease and to promote the awareness among the people about this disease and the progress made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) We have a system of annual sentinel surveillance being carried out every year since 1998. Prior to 1998, the estimated figures of HIV positive persons within India were 1.75 million. Subsequently, the estimated figures based on annual sentinel surveys are as follows:

1998	3.5 million
1999	3.7 million
2000	3.86 million and
2001	3.97 million

However, it is noticed that the rate of increase of HIV infections within India is on the decline.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.